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FCC RELEASES 2005 INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC DATA

Washington, D.C. - The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) today released a report entitled *2005 International Telecommunications Data* regarding traffic between the United States and other countries for international message telephone, private line, and miscellaneous services on a country-by-country basis.

Statistical Findings

- Facilities-based and facilities-resale traffic together increased 10.0% from 63.7 billion minutes in 2004 to 70.1 billion minutes in 2005. For purpose of categorizing traffic, a facilities-based carrier provides service using its own international transmission facilities, while a facilities-resale carrier provides service utilizing international circuits leased from other reporting international carriers.
- U.S. billed revenues for international telephone, private line, and other miscellaneous services decreased 13.2% from 2004 to 2005.

International Services Billed Revenues (Shown in Thousands of Dollars)

	2004	2005	Percent Change
Telephone	\$8,653,398	\$7,400,098	-14.5%
Private Line and Other Miscellaneous	723,395	737,589	2.0%
Total Billed Revenues	\$9,376,793	\$8,137,687	-13.2%

- U.S. carriers' net settlement payments (the amount they pay foreign carriers to terminate traffic overseas), and retained international revenues (revenues after settlement payments are made) decreased 13.1% for net settlement payments and 13.3% for retained international revenues from 2004 to 2005.

**Total Billed Revenues,
Net Settlement Payments, and
Retained Revenues**
(Shown in Thousands of Dollars)

	2004	2005	Percent Change
Total Billed Revenues	\$9,376,793	\$8,137,687	-13.2%
Net Settlement	(3,611,811)	(3,137,975)	-13.1%
Retained	\$5,764,982	\$4,999,712	-13.3%

- Resale traffic grew from 38.6 billion minutes in 2004 to 46.6 billion minutes in 2005. Billed revenues for resale services increased from \$5.2 billion in 2004 to \$5.8 billion in 2005. The total number of carriers reporting resale services increased 5% from 799 in 2004 to 838 in 2005.

The report is available for reference in the FCC's Reference Information Center at 445 12th Street, S.W., Courtyard Level, Washington, D.C. 20554. Copies may be purchased by contacting the FCC's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington D.C. 20554, telephone 1-800-378-3160, facsimile 202-488-5563, or via e-mail www.bcpiweb.com. The report can also be downloaded [file name: CREPOR05.ZIP or CREPOR05.PDF] from www.fcc.gov/ib.

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